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SHORT TERM COURSES IN AYURVEDA
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Institute of Ayurveda, Jaipur propose to introduce short term courses in Ayurveda for foreign nationals;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to popularize ayurveda system in the country as well as abroad?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) to (b): A proposal to introduce a short term course has been discussed but details have not been worked out.

(c): Various steps have been taken to popularise Ayurveda in the country as well as abroad. The Department has participated in fairs and conferences abroad and deputed experts for the purpose. The visits of interested groups from abroad have been facilitated. MOU have also entered into with the Govt. of Russian Federation covering specific therapies and applications of Ayurveda.

Gujarat Ayurveda University has received requests from institutes in Australia, Japan, Argentina and Netherlands for recognition and affiliation of their Institutes.

The Department is popularising Ayurveda in the country by participating in Conferences and Fairs, Distribution of pamphlets and literature has been undertaken to make people aware of the systems and their efficacy.

Assistance is being provided to Institutes for holding conferences and seminars to propagate the Indian System of Medicine.